

CAN WE AFFORD IT?

Holman Talks of the Consequences of War.

SHOWING POSSIBLE RESULTS

We Could Whip Chili in Four Months, But Great Complications Would Inevitably Follow.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—The Post publishes interviews with several prominent persons on the subject of the Chilean troubles. The most interesting of these is one with Representative Holman of Indiana, who spoke substantially as follows: "Of course we must consider the results of any action that we may take against Chili, suppose we should go into a war, what would be our relations toward Peru and Bolivia after the trouble was over?"

"Of course these two nations would be involved with us. Must we protect them from the resentments incurred by the contest? If so, how long will that obligation rest upon us?"

"There is no doubt about our ability to conquer Chili; to practically annihilate her if we needed to go so far. Chili could be conquered with our present army and navy in four months I think, and if this force would not suffice, look at the resources back of them."

The consequences of war. "But the war itself is a small part of all that must be taken into consideration. The loss of life would be most lamentable, but beyond that are the consequences. Not only the question of a virtual protectorate over Peru and Chili, but the effect of the war upon other South American nations."

"How will our relations with other governments of that continent be affected if the United States makes war upon Chili?"

"What would be its influence upon the sentiments of those nations toward us? In the course of time you would see a great syndicate of all the governments upon those two continents. Not a union, of course, like our states, but a close alliance. We must think of the effect upon this movement of any action toward Chili."

"I shall not care to express any opinion as to what should be done until I get all the facts from the president. One thing is certain, that the administration will receive the unqualified support of the democratic side of the house in any measure necessary to uphold the honor of the government. I have no question of party at all."

Fanaticism is necessary. "Commander Dickens of the United States navy, who has had a wide experience with the South Americans, thinks that nothing short of punishment will subdue Chili with the proper respect for this government. The rank and file of the people are ignorant of our resources and confident that they can whip us. Nothing but actual force will convince the Chileans that they are not strong enough to insult us with impunity."

"No deeper insult or wrong could have been offered a nation than the slaughter of her sailors because of the uniform they wore. Firing on our flag is always considered a cause for war, but butchering our sailors is a worse affair."

The bloodshed is more than a point for arbitration. Disputes over money or boundaries can properly be arbitrated, but if a man strikes you in the face you don't care to arbitrate the controversy. The smallest reparation we can demand if we interfere to retain our self-respect, and the respect of the world, is that Chili shall offer an apology, pay an indemnity and salute our flag."

Evans Shown Right Spirit. "Captain Evans showed the right spirit in threatening to retaliate if his flag was stoned again. If a British commander had been in his place, with his sailors imprisoned as ours and denied medical treatment, he could probably have given the authorities twenty-four hours in which to release the men, with the alternative of having the city shelled, and his government would have supported him in it."

Representative Cole, of Arkansas, said he did not think there would be any open hostilities. "There are no war," he said, "for a fight over this matter. I think, I think, and will be adjusted on a basis honorable to this country."

Several other members of congress expressed themselves as hopeful that there would be no war, though if such a state of affairs should be brought about, and the dignity and honor of the country be at stake, there, I think, is no hesitancy on the part of the government to maintain it."

REPORTS MAY BE TRUE.

Cleveland May Finally Decline to be a Candidate.

New York, Jan. 25.—The story that Mr. Cleveland had practically withdrawn as a candidate for the nomination, and had only been kept from formally announcing the fact through the energetic efforts of some of his personal friends, made a genuine sensation in political circles. Many warm friends of Mr. Cleveland refused to believe the story, and declared that there must be some mistake about it. But others who are in the confidence of the president's intimate friends admitted that the statement of Cleveland's position was substantially true.

"One thing is certain," said a gentleman of this class tonight, "and that is that Cleveland will not make a fight for the nomination. His position is similar to that of Mr. Blaine."

Edward Fleming, the editor of the Buffalo Courier, which is Cleveland's old home organ, is stopping at the Hoffman house. Said he: "There is some foundation for the statement. Cleveland's friends have known for a long time that he was not a candidate for the presidential nomination in the usual acceptance of that term. I think if the Democratic convention nominates Cleveland he will accept, although I do not believe that he is in any sense seeking the nomination."

Judge John A. Holman of Indianapolis, said: "I have been in New York several months attending to business affairs and have had an opportunity of studying the drift of politics from this point. The result of it is to cause me to think that Cleveland is actually on the point of doing just what was today stated."

John C. Sheehan, brother of Lieutenant Governor Sheehan, was inclined to believe the story that Cleveland had decided to announce his withdrawal as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the presidency.

"I heard two weeks ago," he said, "that Cleveland would not permit his name to be presented to the conven-

tion. My candid opinion is that Cleveland's name will not be mentioned in the convention."

HILL IS ON HAND.

He Turns Up in New York to Look After His Foes.

New York, Jan. 25.—Senator Hill, accompanied by Bourke Cockran, arrived from Washington at 10 o'clock last night and went to the Hoffman house. The senator has come here to superintend the plans for the formal starting of his campaign to capture the Democratic nomination for the presidency. The start will take place with a big flourish of trumpets at the Manhattan club reception in honor of Hill Tuesday night. The senator will also be on hand to manage the meeting of his state committee Tuesday, and see that the proper steps are taken to call an early state convention, and begin the work of choosing a nominee but Hill delegates to the Democratic national convention.

New York's Exhibit Assured.

New York, Jan. 25.—Alexander D. Anderson, special commissioner for the World's Fair, who for the past year has been in charge of the eastern headquarters at New York, has resigned his position to devote his time to business in Washington. In his letter to the director general he states that the promoting work in New York is complete, and that the legislature having substantially provided for the state exhibit, the further continuance of an office here is a useless expense. He recommends that the headquarters be closed and that all local matters be left entirely to the state commissioners who will soon be appointed by the governor. Mr. Anderson predicts that the New York exhibit at Chicago will be on a scale worthy of the great Empire state and surpass those of most of the other states.

Friends Mourned Too Soon.

OTTUMWA, Iowa, Jan. 25.—Recent developments have disclosed a decided sensation in the case of Mrs. John Raffles of Sgourney, who left a few weeks ago for New York to visit relatives, and not being heard from, supposed to have been killed in a railroad wreck. It now transpires that she never intended to go to New York, but that she eloped with A. F. Durland. The discovery came about by two people, ostensibly brother and sister, registering at a Washington (Iowa) hotel a few days ago as Mr. Durland and Mrs. Wiggins, but they were too near home and some old Sgourney acquaintances recognized them as A. F. Durland and Mrs. John Raffles.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES. Work on the Janesville (Wis.) street railway will begin at once. At Oakland, Neb., while playing with a shotgun Johnnie Rock, aged 12, killed his younger brother. John Wagner, who murdered a man named Daugherty in Idaho July 15 last, has been convicted and sentenced to hang April 15 next.

"Stormy" Jordan, a saloonkeeper of Ottumwa, Ia., is said to be scheming to avoid paying about \$6,000 in fines assessed against him.

Harvey Latimer, a young man of Canton, Miss., shot and killed a Chinese laundryman. The Chinaman was advancing on Latimer's brother with a drawn pistol.

The Mississippi republican executive committee has fixed February 23 as the date for the convention to select delegates to the national republican convention in Minneapolis.

Scarlet fever has broken out at Ironwood, Mich., and the public schools, six in number, have been closed indefinitely. The afflicted portions of the city have been quarantined.

The steamship Golden Horn, from Antwerp for New Orleans via Puerto Rico, Venezuela and Mexican ports, has been wrecked on one of the Windward Islands, east of Puerto Rico.

Ernest Douglas, a wealthy farmer residing 6 miles southeast of Homer, Ill., committed suicide by severing his jugular vein with a pocket knife. No cause is known for the suicide.

While Joe Delrauck, a Bohemian carpenter, was working on the spire of the new Catholic church at Pochontas Center, Ill., he slipped from the scaffold and fell about forty feet and was fatally injured.

A man named Moorehead from Kansas City, en route to Oklahoma with a carload of goods, was killed in a wreck at Clements, Kan., caused by the second section of a Santa Fe freight train running into the rear of the first section.

CHILI SURPRISED.

Has Expected the Recall of Minister Egan, But Receives Instead the President's Ultimatum.

VALPARAISO, Jan. 25.—The ultimatum of the government of the United States that Chili must immediately and without reservation withdraw the offensive note of Senator Matta, ex-minister of foreign affairs, apologize for the assault upon the sailors of the cruiser Baltimore and pay indemnity for the injuries inflicted upon American citizens has been handed the Chilean government by Minister Egan. This is the reply sent by the United States to the demand of the Chilean government for the recall of Mr. Egan. The prompt sending of this ultimatum, instead of an order to Mr. Egan that he must return home, has surprised the Chilean government, and it is rumored that President Montt, who is resting at a bathing resort, has been asked to return at once to Santiago and consult with his cabinet and council of state in regard to the matter.

Interviews were had with Eduardo Motte and Judge Alfonso, both of whom are members of the council of state. When informed of the nature of the ultimatum sent by Secretary Blaine they expressed considerable surprise at its terms, and without formally committing themselves, both agreed that it would be a surprise act to now withdraw Matta's letter. They expressed the hope that at the meeting of the council of state in conjunction with the cabinet a peaceful solution of the difficulty might be arranged.

Failure of a Kansas Bank.

DOWN, Kan., Jan. 25.—Bank Examiner Stone took charge of the First national bank of Down and closed its doors Saturday afternoon. Lack of confidence in the institution, owing to non-payment of the 10 per cent assessment on stockholders, caused light deposits and an exodus. The bank capital stock was placed at \$100,000. John Hall, of Hatchison, was president.

Are you going this week? The immense sale of overcoats—\$1, \$2 and \$3 off.

GOLD IN THE STARS

Prof. Turner Makes a New Discovery.

STARTLING THE LEARNED MEN

He Picks Up a Meteoric Stone Bearing Well-Defined Traces of Virgin Gold.

Theories of the Scientists.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 25.—H. W. Turner, of Washington, for two years past under the auspices of the California Division of Mining Geology, who has been exploring the gold regions of the Sierras, has arrived here. Turner obtained from a gulch at Cave City, Calaveras county a meteoric stone that will create no little interest in the scientific world. It is about as large as one's fist, and around a good portion of it is a solid film of gold. In one place the gold shows for about an inch square of surface.

Hitherto in all the discoveries in the world no meteoric iron has been found in connection with gold. It demonstrates, Turner says, that there is gold in worlds of space from which the meteoric iron has fallen. The specimen will be boxed and shipped to Washington. Other pieces will probably be forwarded from Calaveras.

"I have examined it very carefully," said Mr. Turner. "It is extremely tough and it is almost impossible to break it. In my opinion it has fallen from one of the stars."

"This demonstrates that there is gold in some of the stars at least. Little by little we are getting to the truth. I shall send this piece to the Smithsonian Institution."

An Important Revelation.

Professor George Davidson's assistants say that the discovery of an important revelation and is bound to attract attention, since in all the developments of science thus far it has not been determined that there was gold or silver in meteoric iron. State Mineralogist William Ireland said that it was a fact that hitherto no gold had been found in any meteoric iron.

"It is true," said Mineralogist C. C. Snyder, "that meteoric iron is malleable. It has been known for a long time that it has from 1 to 20 per cent of nickel and some cobalt. Meteoric would not break. It would have to be cut, and even that is very hard to do. Meteoric iron is just like wrought iron."

"I have known of several instances in Mexico where roofs have been put over houses and natives used them as anvils established in blacksmith shops. The native smith hammers away and fashions his iron into shape, the meteor being so tough that it is just like a manufactured anvil, not being in the least put off by hammering."

A Piece From a Meteor. A small piece has after great trouble been cut from the meteor in Mr. Turner's possession. It is clear and white looking, resembling nickel, and showing a very tough grain, and gold flecks and iron in many places. Mr. Turner in his travels has been accompanied by W. L. Lindsay, of the California division of mining geology. They have been at work examining the gold regions for the purpose of publishing topographical contour maps. This work is now finished, and the maps will in a few days, be put in the hands of the printer.

They show the contour of the country as well as the kinds of rock in which gold is found. No worked mine of this kind has ever been undertaken before, and it is considered of great value. He says: "It takes in the richest part of the California gold belt. The country we studied and mapped begins at a point about Nevada City and extends south ninety or one hundred miles, and comprises a region in all something over four thousand square miles in area."

Killed While Resisting Arrest. Newton, Mass., Jan. 25.—In an attempt to arrest two desperate negroes wanted in Clark county, Ala., for a murder committed nine years ago, Oliver Connell, one of the criminals, was instantly killed and Weldon Newman, a member of the sheriff's posse, mortally wounded. Isom, the other negro, gave himself up.

Toledo Streets Submerged. Toledo, O., Jan. 25.—A water main under Broadway burst Saturday evening, flooding the street to the depth of 2 feet and doing \$50,000 damage. The break evidently occurred during the recent cold snap. It seems to have soaked the whole southern end of the city until the stone pavement finally yielded.

Fighting the Big Guns. Troy, N. Y., Jan. 25.—A telegram from Washington has been received at the Waterbury arsenal, Troy, ordering that the twelve new 10-inch guns be completed as rapidly as possible. One extra force of men working nights has been put on.

Look Out for the Cars. GREENWICH, Conn., Jan. 25.—Phillip Connell, M. Doran and R. Hamilton, while walking on the railroad track Sunday night were struck by a locomotive. Doran and Connell were instantly killed and Hamilton received fatal injuries.

Engleze So She Is Spelt. In a hotel not 100 miles from the top of the Right the following announcement gives satisfaction:

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